MONTANA WOLF PROGRAM - WEEKLY REPORT

TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Ken McDonald, Administrator, Wildlife Division, FWP

SUBJECT: Wolf Program Activities and Related Information

WEEK OF: April 1 – April 22, 2014

Contributors to the Montana Wolf Weekly are Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP), Universities, USDA Wildlife Services (WS), the National Park Service (NPS; Glacier NP; Yellowstone National Park will be reported in the Wyoming Wolf Weekly), US Forest Service, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, and the Blackfeet Nation.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

Weekly reports for 2014 will be shown in an additive, running tally fashion.

Montana Annual Wolf Report can be found on the FWP website:

http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/wolf/

To learn more about Montana's wolf population, the Montana program and to help FWP monitor wolves by reporting wolf sign, visit FWP online. http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/wolf/

To anonymously report a dead or injured wolf or suspected illegal activity, call: 1-800-TIP-MONT or 1-800-847-6668.

To request an investigation of injured or dead livestock, call USDA Wildlife Services directly in western Montana / Helena area at 406-458-0106 or in eastern Montana at the statewide office at 406-657-6464. Or, call your nearest FWP representative to have your call referred to Wildlife Services.

If you have a confirmed or probable livestock death loss due to wolves, USDA Wildlife Services will supply you with a copy of the Loss Reimbursement Application form. For more information, see http://liv.mt.gov/default.mcpx Or, contact the Livestock Loss Reduction and Mitigation Program Coordinator, George Edwards at the Montana Department of Livestock at 406-444-5609.

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Date	General Area (County)	Pack Name	(injured liv		ock Type ar probable ki kills (c)	ld # lls (p) or co	nfirmed	Land Type	Authorized Control Action
			Cattle	Sheep	Goat/ Llama	Horse	Dog		Control 7 Notice
01/02	West Boulder River (Sweetgrass)	Baker Mountain	1р					Private	None
01/16	Bannack (Beaverhead)	Unknown	1р					Private	Attempt to radio collar
01/17	Lake Como (Ravalli)	Trapper Peak	1c					Private	SOS issued to Landowner
01/17	West Boulder Drainage (Sweetgrass)	Baker Mountain	1c					Private	Lethal removal of 1-2 uncollared from pack
2/25	Niarada (Sanders)	Garden Creek	1c						CSKT to remove
3/27	Big Hole (Deer Lodge)	unknown	2c					Private	WS to remove 1-2 wolves and place a radio
3/28	Upper Ninemile (Missoula)	Ninemile	1confirmed injured, 1p					Private	Lethal Removal by WS
4/8	North of Browning (Glacier)	Livermore	2c					Private	Attempt to collar 1 wolf to remove entire pack (unknown number)
4/15	Near Grant (Beaverhead)	unknown	2c					Private	Lethal Removal by WS, unknown number

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Date ¹			FWP (monitoring/ research)	ws	Other (tribal/incidental)	ws	Landowner	Control Action - ongoing/ completed	Other Mortalities (by cause)
01/08	Grant (Beaverhead)	Jeff Davis				1			
01/27	Lake Como (Ravalli)	Trapper Peak				1		completed	
02/07		Jeff Davis		1					
2/16	Niarada (Sanders)	Garden Creek			1 (joint CSKT and WS effort)				
03/03	Madison	Unknown		2					
03/03	West Boulder Drainage (Sweetgrass)	Baker Mountain						expired, no wolves radioed or removed	
3/8 (corrected from 3/1)	Niarada (Sanders)	Garden Creek				1		completed	
3/15 (corrected from 3/17)	Niarada (Sanders)	Garden Creek				1		completed	
3/22	Near Boulder (Jefferson)	Elkhorn					1 (defense of property)		
3/28	Upper Ninemile (Missoula)	Ninemile				4		completed	
4/1	Blacktail Drainage (Beaverhead)	unknown				1			

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2014 Running Total ¹				3	1	9	1		

There is often a lag time between activities and reporting due to ongoing investigations. Running tallies are estimates based on known data at the time of 'wolf weekly' publication and may not match final annual report numbers.

² Wolves removed in Idaho by WS, as part of a control action in Idaho. Removals count toward the Montana removal authorization but are not included in the running total for Montana removals.